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[1](#)1. (C/REL AUS) Lisa Rice Madan, Assistant Secretary, Southwest Asia Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), confirmed Australia's continued support for health and education programs in Pakistan's border regions ref B. In addition, Australia started an AUD \$250K (USD \$175K) counter-radicalization program in October through its High Commission in Islamabad. The program is based on a successful model from Indonesia and is designed to undermine extremist ideology and support mainstream Islamic voices. Under the program, the Australian High Commission provides financial aid to local moderate Islamic partner programs across a spectrum of activities. Other supporting activities include continued discussions for the provision of Australian counter-insurgency advisors, and enhanced defense cooperation through broad-based training in Australia for the Pakistani military.

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